Azure Tech Groups February 2021 Update

Hello Azure Tech Groups leaders!

Thank you to everyone who attended the last quarterly call or watched the recording. It's always great to connect with you!

Here's the monthly roundup of what's awesome and what's coming.

Plan. Explore. Learn. Connect. | Microsoft Ignite is almost here!
Microsoft Ignite is next week (March 2 – 4) and we can't wait. If you haven't registered yet, you can [Register Now](#).

If you're already in, here's some inspiration to help you plan your Ignite experience.

- Plan. Read this blog post with all the details you need to help you plan and curate your Azure experience: [Plan your Microsoft Azure experience at Microsoft Ignite - Microsoft Tech Community](#)

- Explore. Check out this Azure app development featured session: [Empowering every developer to innovate with Microsoft Azure](#)

- Learn. Get in on the latest [Microsoft Ignite | Cloud Skills Challenge](#). Complete one challenge and earn a free Microsoft Certification exam.

- Connect. Visit the [Connection Zone](#) to meet with experts, peers, and maybe make some new friends as you explore the worldwide community.

News and tips from Meetup
Get to know your group members by[asking profile questions when they join your group](#): ask about their experience level with Azure, the topics they're the most excited about and what types of events they're looking to attend. This is a great way to provide a personalized experience to your community members, understand your target audience and adjust your event programming accordingly as well as creating networking opportunities within your group.

Interesting finds
Last month we premiered Azure [Lightning Talks](#), this month the collection is growing.

Check out The New Azure SDK for .NET and The New Azure SDK for Java and if Microsoft Ignite inspires you, share a Lightning Talk of your own.

Resources
Azure Tech Groups program guide - https://aka.ms/azure-tech-groups/guidance

Azure Tech Community GitHub - https://aka.ms/azure-tech-groups/Content_Resources

Free tools to support meeting virtually:
- Video meeting from Skype - https://www.skype.com/en/free-conference-call/
- Microsoft Teams - https://aka.ms/atc/MSTeams_Free

Newsletter archive
If you missed our last update (or any previous updates), you can visit our newsletter archive to find past editions.

Check out the archive

'Til next month!
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